

Dear Sirs: I have been a licensed radio amateur since 1959 and have been extremely proud of the manner amateur has provided the public service for so many years. We radio operators take our efforts to provide emergency communications to whom ever in need very seriously! I personally have been involved in emergency communication efforts in a multitude of situations, from the Alaska earthquakes to the flooding of the Red River in Minnesota/No. Dakota recently...handling emergency messaging and needed supplies.

Efforts from mine and other hams of this superb community of dedicated experts would be greatly comprimised if the FCC's proposed BPL takes effect. BPL is incompatible with amateur radio communication service causing widespread interference to our spectrum of radio frequencies. BPL has not worked in other countries and has no place in the US! Power companies have not properly taken

care of their own power lines as it is...to take note of the recent power black-out in the northeast United States! Our radio spectrum would be rendered quite useless do to unwanted powerline noise and interference to hams, and others. I urge the FCC to ensure that BPL is not permitted to operate in or near any amateur radio allocations. Thank you, Erwin Grossman K0IVO